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January 19, 2001

Ms. Melissa Toni
State of Connecticut
Department of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Water Management
Inland Water Resources Division
79 Elm Street
Hartford, CT 06106-5127

Re: Remediation of PCB contamination in Willow Brook at the United Technologies Corporation's Pratt & Whitney manufacturing facility located on Main Street in East Hartford, Connecticut.

Dear Ms Toni:

The purpose of this letter is to convey to you the determination of the Environmental Protection Agency's RCRA Corrective Action Program that sediments of Willow Brook, where it runs along the northern border of the United Technologies Corporation's Pratt & Whitney manufacturing facility located on Main Street in East Hartford, Connecticut (between the Willow Pond dam and the Main Street culvert); Willow Brook Pond, a man-made pond located immediately above this reach of Willow Brook; and a small unnamed wetland located within this reach of Willow Brook have become heavily contaminated with Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs) from a historic release.

It is our further determination that this contamination may pose a significant long-term risk to human health and the environment if not remediated. Finally it is our determination that all options which lead to effective remediation of the contamination require extensive removal of sediments in the brook, pond, and wetland.

If you have any questions on this letter, or if I can be of any assistance to you in your consideration of requests from United Technologies Corporation for permits necessary to execute the work required to remediate the PCB contamination in Willow Brook and adjacent areas, please call me at 617-918-1369.

Sincerely,

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Ernest Waterman RCRA Corrective Action Section Office of Site Remediation and Restoration

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